(Washington, DC)— Washington, DC – U.S. Congresswoman Gwen Moore (D-Milwaukee) today lauded Labor Secretary Hilda Solis' announcement that the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development will receive \$6 million included in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) to help train workers for clean-energy jobs such as energy-efficient construction and retooling manufacturing.

Congresswoman Moore said, "We need to attract new industries and new jobs to our area. This funding will help train workers and create a new, specialized workforce that can thrive in our country's clean-energy future."

Key partners in this statewide grant include the Milwaukee Building and Construction Trades Council and the Milwaukee Area Workforce Investment Board.

The funding is part of \$190 million announced today for the State Energy Sector Partnership and Training Grants – grants designed to help states implement statewide energy workforce plans. In the first three weeks of this year, the U.S. Department of Labor has announced more than \$400 million in ARRA funding for clean-energy workforce development.

Detailed information on all projects announced today can be found on the Department of Labor's website.

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